

**HOUSE BILL NO. 263**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVE EASTMAN

Introduced: 1/18/22

Referred: State Affairs, Judiciary

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 "An Act relating to state requirements concerning federal laws, regulations, and orders  
2 requiring COVID-19 vaccination; and providing for an effective date."

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

4 \* **Section 1.** AS 44.99 is amended by adding a new section to article 1 to read:

5 **Sec. 44.99.050. State requirements concerning certain federal health laws,**  
6 **regulations, and orders requiring COVID-19 vaccination.** (a) An official, agent, or  
7 employee of the state, a municipality, or the federal government may not enforce a  
8 federal law, regulation, or order that violates the Tenth Amendment to the Constitution  
9 of the United States by imposing or threatening to impose a fine or other penalty on

10 (1) an individual who does not receive a novel coronavirus disease  
11 (COVID-19) vaccine; or

12 (2) a person who does not require an individual to receive a COVID-19  
13 vaccine.

14 (b) The attorney general may defend a resident of the state who is prosecuted

1 by the government of the United States for violation of a federal law, regulation, or  
2 order requiring acceptance of a COVID-19 vaccine.

3 (c) The attorney general shall file legal action necessary to prevent the  
4 implementation of a federal law, regulation, or order that violates the rights of a  
5 resident of the state under (a) of this section.

6 \* **Sec. 2.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).